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SUBJ: PRESS RDSORTS SRI LANKA AID GROUP TO CONVENE

1. ACCORDING JAN 29 "SEX" ARTICLE, GSL WILL SEND DELEGATION TO AID GROUP MEETING IN PARIS IN APRIL. ARTICLE GOES ON TO MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. CURRENT DISCUSSIONS WITH NOW VISITING IMF TEAM ABOUT \$24.5 MILLION SDR STANDBY WILL HAVE GREAT BEARING ON APRIL MEETING.

B. ASSISTANCE AMOUNT WOULD LARGELY DEPEND ON IMF REPORT ON GSL FISCAL AND PLANNING POLICIES.

C. FRENCH ARE "KEENLY LOBBYING" FOR AID GROUP ASSISTANCE TO GSL (ACCORDING ARTICLE, POLITICAL CIRCLES SEE THIS FRENCH EFFORT AS DESIGNED TO INCREASE INFLUENCE IN SOUTH ASIAN REGION).

2. WE HAVE CHECKED WITH EXTERNAL RESOURCES DIRECTOR, FERNANDO, WHO SAYS GSL HAS NO OFFICIAL NOTICE OF CONVENING OF AID GROUP MEETING. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT OTHER EMBASSIES IN COLOMBO APPARENTLY UNDERSTAND IBRD INTENDS CONVENE MEETING. BRITISH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HIGH COMMISSION IS ALSO UNAWARE OF ANY OFFICIAL IBRD APPROACH.

3. PLEASE ADVISE ON:

A. WHETHER ANY FORMAL IBRD APPROACH HAS BEEN MADE TO CONVENE AID GROUP.

B. STATUS, IF POSSIBLE, OF IBRD REPORT DRAFTING IN CIRCULATION FOR DONOR REVIEW, AND POSSIBLE CANVASSING FOR DONOR CONSENSUS ON PARIS MEETING (AS LAST YEAR).

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